

Remarks


The claims as originally filed included two claims designated as number 16. The second claim bearing the number 16 is renumbered as claim 17. Original claims 17, 18, 19 and 20 are renumbered 18, 19, 20 and 21, respectively, each of which is canceled without prejudice.

Previously pending claims, 1-20, have been deemed to be directed to two patentably distinct inventions. Invention I is embodied in all the figures. Invention II is drawn to a process for using the product shown in the figures. Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicant provisionally elects Invention I shown in all the figures. Currently pending claims 1-17 (now 1-18), read on the invention illustrated in the figures. Former claim 17 (now 18) is canceled without prejudice. Claims 18-20 (now 19-21), are canceled without prejudice. Entry and consideration of the claims, as elected, are respectfully requested.

Applicant acknowledges that no claim has been deemed generic. Applicant may revisit the issue upon allowance of the pending claims.

The claims are considered to define patentably over the prior art. Consideration is requested and favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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